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Re Patent Application of

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For: TOOL AND PROCESS FOR
CASTING A SHAPED PART FOR
THE PRODUCTION OF A TURBINE
BLADE

Group Art Unit:

Examiner: Unassigned

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner. The original application was filed in German. Applicants have translated the original application into English, and request that the English translation be used for examination purposes. Amendments to the English translation have been made to the specification by way of a Substitute Specification. The amendments are incorporated in the formatted Substitute Specification submitted herewith. A copy of the certified translation of the original application, together with a marked-up copy of the specification version showing the amendments made to the original application and the Substitute Specification, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (2001), are also submitted herewith. No new matter has been introduced in these amendments to the original specification.